

HR 5297

Health Care Continuation Coverage Act of 2002

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** HI • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 8, 2002
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 24, 2002
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jul 29, 2002
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 26, 2002

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Health Care Continuation Coverage Act of 2002 - Directs the Secretary of the Treasury to establish a program to provide premium assistance for qualified individuals for Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA) continuation coverage under the Public Health Service Act, the Internal Revenue Code, and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Requires States to provide temporary Medicaid coverage, under title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act, for individuals who: (1) have become totally or partially separated from employment on or after July 1, 2001; (2) are not eligible for COBRA continuation coverage; and (3) are not covered under a group health plan, health insurance, Medicare, or Medicaid. Includes coverage of such individuals' spouses and dependents who are also uninsured.

Requires States, under Medicaid, to pay the unsubsidized portion of COBRA continuation benefits for individuals who: (1) have become totally or partially separated from employment on or after July 1, 2001; and (2) are eligible for COBRA continuation coverage. Includes coverage of such individuals' spouses and dependents who are also eligible and otherwise uninsured.

Amends the Food Stamp Act of 1977 to exclude unemployment compensation in determining eligibility and benefits under such Act.

Actions Timeline

- **Oct 24, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations.
- **Aug 8, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.
- **Jul 29, 2002:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E1460)
- **Jul 29, 2002:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
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